

The Indianapolis Radio Club Founded In 1914  
The oldest continuously meeting Amateur Radio Club in the United States

The AMACHEWER NEWSLETTER for MAY 2004

The club was founded in 1914 and has met continuously since. The club is now a general Interest group that meets on the second Friday of each month, except July and August. The meetings start at 7:30 PM followed by a program of interest to all.

Programs cover a wide variety of interests; operation, technical subjects, talks by prominent Amateurs in our community as well as from other groups.

Each December; the club hosts a dinner at which we present an award to the hard working amateur for Outstanding service to the Indianapolis Amateur community.

We are currently meeting at the Indianapolis Training Center at 2820 N. Meridian. There's an amateur radio station in the center, which our club helps supply and maintain.

Please attend our meetings and bring a guest.

#### 2004 IRC Officers

President: Chuck Crist - W9IH - 787-6674  
Vice President: Don Hemenover - N9D00 - 890-1235  
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April 9th Meeting was held at the Indianapolis Training Center on the top floor, 2820 N. Meridian St, Indianapolis, In.

-Chuck Crist - W9IH; Introduced club officers; New hams & new club members attending our meeting. Meeting started at 7:30 pm; there were 53 in Attendance.

Tom Chance- K9XVT; IRC Treas. collected new membership dues and handed out Current Membership cards and name tags. A brief Financial report was given.

-This is our 90th year that the club has been in existence and our theme for 2004 is "Ham Radio is Fun and Teamwork".

#### Announcements.

- IRC Hat Fundraiser for our "90th commemorative club year"  
Hats will be available though the 2004 year. See Chuck - W9IH or Tom - K9XV at the next IRC meeting.

For more info see the IRC website front WebPage..

-Save up those Ham stuff items for the IRC JUNE 11th auction once again  
Wes - N9AJM; has agreed to be the auctioneer.

-Don't forget that IRC will host a PICNIC at Joe Lobraico - K900A annual  
Broadripple IN. Hamfest on Saturday, August 7th, 2004. Hamfest times are 7 AM - 1  
PM.  
There are no fees for this Hamfest. For more info see the IRC WebPage under  
the Hamfest link..

-IRC monthly Longest DX & New QRP longest contact awards have become a big  
part of the monthly program. Those wishing to participate should write their  
entry down on a card and hand them in to Dave during our break on meeting nites.  
-Dave- N9KZJ ; gave a brief operations report & chaired this months contest.  
Winners announced at end of the program.

-Steve - KB9RDS reported on The kids net, they run it and it's just for kids  
every Sunday night at 5:30 pm on the INDY 146.70 repeater.  
- youth forum talk at the Dayton Hamvention this year. It will include Three  
of our Indy Young hams . There will be Special event station at the Broadripple Ham  
fest  
on August, 7th. Stop in and check it out! Indy Young hams will be operating.  
-For more info on the Indy Area Young ham activities, check out the IRC webpage  
under  
youth programs link.

- Express NO-CODE TECH license Class will be held on April 26,28 & 30 at the  
Indianapolis training center for New and potential young hams.  
For more info check out the IRC website under Ham classes link.

- Anyone interested in being a Mentor for new Hams, contact  
Chuck - W9IH at the next meeting for more info .

IRC April Program:  
"new digital modes & Equipment for PSK "  
Presented by - Hank - K9LZJ & Mike - K9JRI

This was a leading edge technology presentation.

- They brought several different types of Computer software for Amateur digital  
PSK, SSTV  
& other modes. They demonstrated this new software along with the several kinds of  
available  
amateur hardware, including Radios interface units and equipment. Alot of the  
attendees were  
able to get some hands on time with this very interesting gear at Programs end..

Thanks to Hank - K9LZJ & Mike - K9JRI  
for this very interesting and fun presentation..

"Congratulations" to The IRC April AWARD winners:

Longest DX contact: Ed Conder - N9IZN .(see IRC webpage awards link for details)

Longest QRP contact : John Wampner - K9GZR...(see IRC webpage awards link for details)

Free Door Prize drawing: ( 4 ) Winners (see IRC webpage for details)

Next month PROGRAM is: ""Digital Broadcasting""!

Presented By; R.J. Barmore - KB9GKX, Engineer from TV channel 13

Next IRC meeting will be May 13th (Thur), at the Indianapolis Training Center.

This Change is to accommodate club members going to the Dayton Hamfest on Friday.

TIP of the Month: Interested in building Quad antennas  
check out this website on line ..

CUBICAL QUAD ANTENNA CALCULATOR

<http://www.softcomnet/users/kd6dks/quad.html>

Remember our club website <http://www.indyradioclub.org>

There is a lot of useful Ham club-related information on this webpage.

Please help our club and provide the News Editor Bob - KB9TEA, with an email address for receiving the newsletters. This will ensure you receive yours in a timely manner, as well as help in defraying unnecessary mailing expenses!

Thanks for your assistance!            See you all at the meeting in May!